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All, as stated in our comments on the Phase 2 Lamprey toxicity FSP, EPA planned on two audits of NAS during the course of the toxicity testing. The first audit took place on August 9, 2007 and was intended to ensure that the diluters were properly constructed and calibrated and were suitable for use during the toxicity tests.

The second EPA audit will be an on-site audit during one of the earlier toxicity tests, similar to the type of on-site audit that Paul Dinnel will perform during the toxicity tests.

EPA intends on performing this audit on Wednesday, October 3, 2007. Bob Gensemer of Parametrix will be visiting the laboratory to observe the aniline test. Aniline is the first organic chemical to be tested. The purpose of the audit will be to ensure that the testing apparatus is properly set up and operating.

Bob has been in contact with NAS regarding the audit.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Thanks, Eric